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**CELA**

Mary Beth, you referred me to the Information Division concerning my query in MUR-7210. This morning I spoke with Isaac Baker in the FEC Information Division, 202-694-1100.

He told me there is no regulatory burden, obligations or steps a media entity is required to take to ensure a public communication/political ad is in compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Instead, the duty, burden or obligation rests with the person or individual placing the ad.

Inasmuch as the subject complaint is against the Chesterland News — a media entity — and not the person or individual who placed the political advertisement, the Chesterland News did not violate the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Therefore, I respectfully request the complaint be dismissed and no further action taken.

If Mr. Baker's representation is incorrect, or the General Counsel's Office holds a different opinion, please advise and provide the relevant regulatory provisions.

Thank you.

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